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Application No.

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Examiner

Gabriel I Garcia

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendment filed 9/24/04.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-10.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 12 October 2000 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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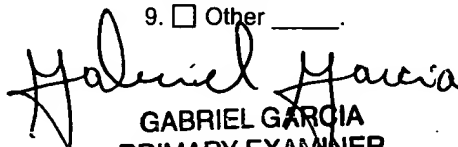
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 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


GABRIEL GARCIA
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DETAILED ACTION

1. This application has been examined. This office action is in response to the amendment filed 9/24/04 and in view of Examiner's amendment. Claims 1-10 are being allowed over the prior art of record. Prosecution on the merits is closed in this application.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The closest prior art, such as Harvey et al (US 6,519,568) fails to teach or suggest the claimed limitations of (in combination with all other features in the claims) "a server computer including a web server responsive to a print request from, wherein an image print application being activated upon receipt by the client computer to read image data from said memory device to create printable image data (or enhanced image data) and to print said printable image on said printer, and to removed said printable image (or enhanced image data) data from said client computer image immediately following printing" as included in independent claims 1,4,7, and 10. The prior art of record fails to anticipate or render the above underlined limitations obvious.

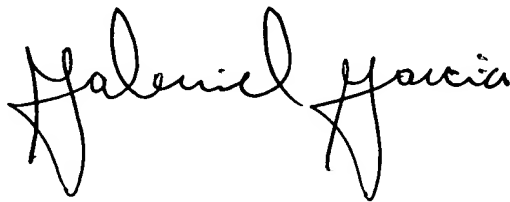
Any comments considered necessary by Applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee, and to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. such submissions should be clearly labeled "comments on statement of Reasons for Allowance".

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3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Gabriel I. Garcia** whose telephone number is (703) 305-8751. The Examiner can normally be reached Monday thru Thursday from 7:30 AM thru 6:00 PM. The fax phone number for official or informal faxes for this group is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 306-0377.

Gabriel I. Garcia
Primary Examiner
January 25, 2005

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Part III

Examiner's Amendment

1. An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears bellow. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to Applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 C.F.R 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.

Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Mark P. Watson on January 25, 2005.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

In the Claims:

1) In claim 4, delete the last line on the claim and add --said memory device to create printable image data to print said printable image data on said printer, and to remove said printable image data from said client computer immediately following printing--.

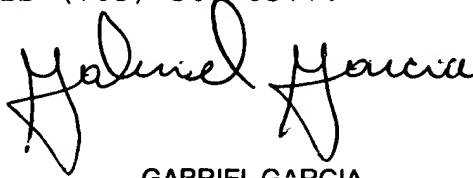
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January 25, 2005

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